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July 6, 2005

Ref: 2234-19988

Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation Post Office Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re:

Hearing Application Miogyp Zone, Reservoir A WEST GUEYDAN FIELD

Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

Applicant: The Meridian Resource & Exploration,

LLC

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of **The Meridian Resource & Exploration**, **LLC** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Miogyp Zone, Reservoir A, West Gueydan Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To dissolve the existing drilling and production unit created as the Miogyp Zone, Reservoir A, SUC, by Office of Conservation Order No. 52-DD-5, effective March 23, 2004 and to simultaneously create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 260 acres for the Miogyp Zone, Reservoir A, designated as the MIOGYP RA SUC, West Gueydan Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
- To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said units;
- 3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
- 4. To find that, except to the extent contrary to the order granted by the Commissioner in connection with the hearing

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held on this application, the provisions of Office of Conservation Order Nos. 52-DD and 52-DD-5 shall remain in full force and effect.

5. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoir as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

The Miogyp Zone, Reservoir A in the West Gueydan Field was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 52-DD, effective March 9, 1999.

In compliance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, a pre-application conference was held in Lafayette, Louisiana on June 23, 2005. Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a list of the names and addresses of the parties who were in attendance at that conference.

The conference was opened by Mr. B. J. Duplantis. Mr. Jim Hardwick of James F. Hardwick & Associates, Inc. presented the plan of applicant. Questions were asked and answered. Counter plans were presented by Mr. Bryan Groves, representing the Henry Interests, and Mr. David Comeaux, representing BSS Energy. The parties were able to reconcile their differences. It is anticipated that there will be no opposition at the public hearing on this matter.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a revised plat outlining the MIOGYP RA SUC, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this application. Should any such party desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Jim Hardwick of James F. Hardwick & Associates, Inc., 1101 S. Hugh Wallis, Suite 101, Lafayette, LA 70508 (337) 232-7756.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours

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BJD/ht Attachments

: Mr. Richard D. Hudson
District Manager, Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

